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SUBJECT: CANDIDATURE OF LOUIS SABOURIN FOR PRESIDENT OF  
OECD DEVELOPMENT CENTRE

1. CANADIAN DELEGATION HAS SENT US COPY OF LETTER FROM  
CANADIAN SECRETARY OF STATE FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS, DON  
JAMIESON, TO SECGEN VAN LENNEP SUPPORTING SABOURIN'S  
CANDIDACY. FOR YOUR INFORMATION, LETTER QUOTED BELOW.

2. QUOTE. I AM WRITING REGARDING DR. LOUIS SABOURIN'S  
CANDIDATURE FOR THE POSITION OF PRESIDENT OF THE DEVELOP-  
MENT CENTRE AT OECD. I BELIEVE THAT DR. SABOURIN  
POSSESSES AN EXCELLENT BACKGROUND AND THE RIGHT EXPER-  
IENCE TO TAKE ON THE CHALLENGE OF THE CENTRE. HIS  
CREATIVE MIND WOULD, I AM SURE, MAKE AN IMPORTANT CON-  
TRIBUTION TO ITS WORK.

CANADA CONSIDERS THAT ALL MEMBER STATES OWE AN OBLIGA-  
TION TO ENSURE THE STRENGTH AND VITALITY OF THE SECRE-  
TARIAT THROUGH THE PROVISION OF TALENTED AND VIGOROUS  
CANDIDATES. WE ALSO BELIEVE THAT THERE IS A NEED TO  
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ENSURE REASONABLE REPRESENTATION BY ALL MEMBER STATES  
IN ORDER TO PROVIDE A FRUITFUL INTERPLAY OF PERCEPTIONS  
THROUGH DIVERSITY. I WISH TO ASSURE YOU THAT CANADA  
VERY MUCH WISHES TO PLAY ITS PART IN THE ORGANIZATION  
IN A RESPONSIBLE MANNER, AND I AM MOST PLEASED THAT DR.  
SABOURIN AGREED TO HAVE HIS NAME PUT FORWARD FOR THIS  
POSITION. TO MY MIND, HE HAS THE ESSENTIAL ELEMENTS FOR

THE TASK: HE IS YOUNG, BILINGUAL, WELL-TRAVELLED, MUCH EXPERIENCED IN DEVELOPMENTAL AFFAIRS BOTH IN DEVELOPED AND DEVELOPING NATIONS, AND IS A RESPECTED FIGURE INTERNATIONALLY. YOU ARE FAMILIAR WITH HIS CURRICULUM VITAE WHICH AMPLY DEMONSTRATES HIS ACADEMIC ABILITY AS WELL AS THE MANAGERIAL EXPERIENCE REQUIRED TO DIRECT A MAJOR AGENCY. I KNOW THAT YOU AND ALL THE MEMBERS OF THE OECD WILL WISH TO GIVE CAREFUL CONSIDERATION TO HIS CANDIDATURE.

IT IS A CREDIT TO THE OECD AND THE CENTRE, PARTICULARLY MR. PAUL-MARC HENRY, THAT A NUMBER OF SUCH CAPABLE CANDIDATES ARE SEEKING THIS POSITION. YOURS SINCERELY,  
SIGNED DON JAMIESON. UNQUOTE.  
TURNER

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